IN THE CLAIMS:

1. - 24. *cancelled*

25. *(original)* In a telephone network that includes a voicemail server that stores messages and a message notification server that notifies a subscriber device of a message stored in the voicemail server by initiating a callback, the improvement comprising:

multiple mailbox partitions associated with a single telephone line of the network,

respective unique IDs associated with respective ones of the mailbox partitions, and

a controller that stores a voicemail message in a partition associated with one of the unique IDs and that effects transmission of a voicemail status stored in a partition associated with one of the unique IDs.

26. *(original)* The improvement of claim 25, wherein the controller transmits one of multiple unique caller IDs to identify a partition having a voicemail message.

27. *(original)* In a telephone network that includes a voicemail server and a call-back message notification server, the improvement comprising:

a controller of said message notification server that automatically effects a call to a subscriber device in response to one of receipt of a new message, a change in message status, and a lapse of a predetermined period of time since a prior call.

28. *(original)* In a telephone network that includes a voicemail server that stores messages and a message notification server that notifies a subscriber device of a message stored in the voicemail server by initiating a callback, the improvement comprising:

at least one assigned ID number associated with messages of said voicemail server, and

a controller responsive to a CPE device to transmit a unique ID number according to the status of messages of said voice mail server.

29. *(original)* The improvement of claim 28, wherein one unique ID number is transmitted when a message is present and another unique ID number is transmitted when no message is present.

30. *(original)* The improvement of claim 28, wherein each unique ID number comprises a caller-ID.

31. - 34. *cancelled*